

**FULL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
of the  
**BOARD OF NURSING**  
Conference Call Only  
11:31 a.m. – 4:05 p.m.  
Wednesday, October 20, 2021

**1. Call To Order - Establish Quorum - Introduction of Board & Staff Members Present (00:00)**

The meeting was called to order at 11:31 a.m.

**Mission Statement of the Board:** *The mission of the Board of Nursing is to protect the health, safety and well-being of Montana citizens through the licensing of competent nursing professionals and by the regulation of the practice to promote the delivery of quality health care.*

**Board Members Present:**

Ms. Sarah Spangler, RN Member, President  
Ms. Leesha Ford, RN Member  
Ms. Lisa Stricker, APRN Member  
Mr. Russ Motschenbacher, RN Member  
Mr. Tom Glover, Public Member  
Ms. Nicole Guay, LPN Member  
Ms. Sandy Sacry, RN Member  
Ms. Yolonda Schulz, LPN Member  
Ms. Deb Johnson, Public Member

**Board Staff Present Online:**

Ms. Missy Poortenga, Executive Officer  
Mr. Dylan Gallagher, Board Counsel  
Ms. LaVerne Loechel, Administrative Specialist  
Mr. Todd Younkin, Division Administrator

**2. Approval and Tentative Modification of Agenda Order (02:38)**

**Motion (02:54):** Ms. Lisa Stricker moved to approve the agenda as presented. Ms. Sandy Sacry seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**3. Review of Minutes (03:25)**

- a. July 21, 2021 full board meeting

**4. Public Opportunity to Comment (03:48)**

(Presiding Officer Statement) “Under this item, the Board will offer an opportunity to members of the public in attendance to comment on any public matter under the jurisdiction of the Board that is not on the agenda of this meeting. Please note that a ‘public matter’ does not include contested cases or other adjudicative proceedings. While the Board cannot take action on any issues presented, the board will listen to comments and may ask staff to place the issue on a subsequent agenda. The presiding officer may limit the comment period in order to proceed with the board meeting.”

**5. Administrator’s Update (04:47)**

**6. Board Action**

- a. Legislation Updates (10:49)

- i. [SB 39](#) subcommittee update (10:55)
- ii. [HB 495](#) task force update (12:23)
- iii. 2023 Legislative Session concept to consider
  - 1. [APRN Compact](#) (14:37)

**b. Nonroutine Applicants** (ARM [24.159.403](#))

- i. Shanna Thompson, Medication Aide II (25:14) (Discussed in Executive Session)  
Ms. Shanna Thompson was not present.
- ii. Kazi Hasan, RN by examination (29:53)  
Mr. Kazi Hasan was not present.

**Motion (37:07):** Ms. Nicole Guay moved to approve Mr. Kazi Hasan to sit for the NCLEX RN exam. Ms. Yolonda Schulz seconded. Discussion followed. The motion carried unanimously.

**c. Education Programs**

**i. Substantive Change Reports** (ARM [24.159.635](#)) (38:36)

**1. University of Providence – change in program director (38:46)**

**Motion (41:35):** Mr. Russ Motschenbacher moved to accept the substantive change for University of Providence. Ms. Sandy Sacry seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**2. Helena College of the University of Montana – increase in enrollment (42:04)**

**Motion (47:02):** Ms. Nicole Guay moved to approve the substantive change for Helena College of the University of Montana. Ms. Deb Johnson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**3. Montana State University College of Nursing – increase in enrollment, curriculum change (48:14)**

**Motion (1:30:43):** Ms. Sandy Sacry moved to approve the substantive changes for Montana State University College of Nursing with on an annual basis with increase of enrollment, it will be reported out. Ms. Nicole Guay seconded. The motion carried. Ms. Leesha Ford abstained from voting.

**ii. Annual Reports** (ARM [24.159.612](#)) (1:32:21)

**1. Helena College of the University of Montana (1:33:29)**

**Motion (1:41:15):** Mr. Russ Motschenbacher. moved to accept the annual report from Helena College of the University of Montana. Mr. Tom Glover seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**2. Flathead Valley Community College (1:41:52)**

**Motion (1:46:13):** Ms. Lisa Stricker moved to accept the annual report from Flathead Valley Community College. Ms. Sandy Sacry seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

3. City College of Montana State University Billings (1:46:48)  
**Motion (1:51:51):** Ms. Sandy Sacry moved to accept the annual report from Helena City College of Montana State University – Billings. Mr. Russ Motschenbacher seconded. The motion carried. Ms. Lisa Stricker abstained from voting.
4. Montana Technological University (1:52:33)  
**Motion (2:01:12):** Ms. Lisa Stricker moved to accept the annual report from Montana Technological University of the University of Montana. Mr. Tom Glover seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
5. Great Falls College of Montana State University (2:01:51)  
**Motion (2:05:41):** Mr. Tom Glover moved to accept the annual report from Great Falls College of Montana State University. Ms. Yolonda Schulz seconded. The motion carried. Mr. Russ Motschenbacher abstained from voting.
6. Montana State University Northern (2:06:24)  
**Motion (2:08:54):** Ms. Leesha Ford moved to accept the annual report from Montana State University Northern Ms. Deb Johnson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
7. Montana State University College of Nursing (2:09:37)  
**Motion (2:16:293):** Ms. Deb Johnson moved to accept the annual report from Montana State University College of Nursing. Mr. Russ Motschenbacher. seconded. The motion carried. Ms. Leesha Ford abstained from voting.
8. Miles Community College (2:17:08)  
**Motion (2:20:28):** Ms. Lisa Stricker moved to accept the annual report from Miles Community College. Mr. Russ Motschenbacher seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
9. University of Providence (2:21:13)  
**Motion (2:24:36):** Ms. Leesha Ford moved to accept the annual report from University of Providence. Ms. Lisa Stricker seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
10. Aaniiih Nakoda College (2:25:22)  
**Motion (2:33:48):** Mr. Russ Motschenbacher moved to accept the annual report from Aaniiih Nakoda College. Ms. Sandy Sacry seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
11. Salish Kootenai College (2:34:20)  
**Motion (2:39:30):** Ms. Sandy Sacry moved to accept the annual report from Salish Kootenai College. Mr. Russ Motschenbacher seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
12. Missoula College of the University of Montana (2:40:19)  
**Motion (2:43:21):** Mr. Tom Glover moved to accept the annual report from Missoula College of the University of Montana. Ms. Nicole Guay seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
13. Blackfeet Community College (2:44:00)

**Motion (2:48:31):** Mr. Russ Motschenbacher moved to accept the annual report from Blackfeet Community College. Ms. Sandy Sacry seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**d. Rulemaking**

**i. Discuss SB 39 implementation and associated rulemaking (2:49:33)**

**1. Review recommended rule language from SB 39 joint subcommittee – (2:49:50)**

**a. New Rule I Definitions**

**b. New Rule II Sexual Offender Evaluator License Endorsement**

**Motion (2:54:52)** Ms. Sarah Spangler moved to proceed with the proposed new rules as recommended by staff and the SB 39 subcommittee and if no comments are received, adopt the rules exactly as proposed. Ms. Nicole Guay seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**2. Small Business Impact determinations – (2:52:52)**

**Motion (2:56:16)** Ms. Lisa Stricker moved that New Rule I and New Rule II do not directly AND significantly impact Montana small businesses. Ms. Nicole Guay seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**e. Continuing Education (2:56:58)**

**i. Current status of continuing education requirements (2:57:08)**

**ii. Request from Montana Nurses' Association to consider other options to meet continuing education requirements (2:58:48)**

**f. Approve 2022 Board meeting schedule (3:12:07)**

**7. Report from Montana Professional Assistance Program (MPAP) (3:16:24)**

**8. Department Reports**

**a. Executive Officer (3:29:34)**

**i. Budget (3:29:46)**

**ii. Licensing (3:30:51)**

**iii. Continuing Education Modules utilization (3:35:21)**

**9. Items of Interest**

**a. NCSBN [Annual Delegate Assembly](#) – verbal report (3:37:46)**

**b. NCSBN Mid Year Meeting – March 13-15, 2022 in St Louis, MO (3:39:45)**

**10. Adjourn (3:41:02) 4:05**

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